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## KILL BUCK.

### THE WAR CHIEF OF THE DELAWARE.

More Than Probable, an Early Re-  
sident of Marlinton.

The Indian ideas of property  
rights were quite different from  
the colonists and pioneer settlers.  
In landed transactions, their un-  
derstanding seems to have been  
that nothing more was granted  
than to hunt and fish unmolested  
and use so much of the ground  
as might be actually needed for  
grain and vegetables long as the  
sun shines and the waters flow.  
Hence when the settlers asserted  
the right to exclude others from  
a common share of the forest pro-  
ceeds it seemed to the Indians a  
violation of treaty stipulations  
and therefore wrangling and wa-  
were the consequences.

The tribes in the eastern parts  
of the continent usually regarded  
themselves as obligated by trust-  
ties made by their chiefs. But  
in the north west, the issue was  
raised that the chiefs could not  
alienate any rights or privileges  
in a representative way and on  
that theory many tribes went to  
war for what had been ceded to  
the whites by the chiefs. This  
phrase of propriety and casuistry  
is accredited to the fine work of  
some Jesuit missionary father and  
it explains much of the trouble  
that was experienced in the great  
west and northwest about treaty  
rights.

One of the Indian warriors  
Kill Buck whose name is so fa-  
miliar to the members of West  
Virginia and Ohio seems to have  
justified his hostility to the early  
settlers west of the Alleghenies  
on this theory as the whites had  
no rights that the Indians was  
in duty bound to respect as he could  
see. This paper will be taken up  
with brief references to some of  
the important affairs in which  
Buckongahelas (Kill Buck) fig-  
ured, January 1789, he along  
with Wyandot, Ottawa and Chep-  
ewa Chiefs met General George  
Clark at Fort McIntosh to make  
titles to land beyond the Ohio.  
The claim made by Clark was to  
this effect, by the treaty of peace  
with England this land belongs  
to the Thirteen Fires. You have  
been allies of England and now  
by the law of nations this land is  
ours.

"No, no," fiercely exclaimed  
Kill Buck, Gen. Clark replied,  
"but we will divide with you,  
you are to release our white cap-  
tives and give up a part of your  
Ohio lands the rest you can keep."  
"No, no," again exclaimed Kill  
Buck but the general never noticed  
him. After some deliberation  
among themselves all the chiefs  
elbowed but Kill Buck who refused  
by exclaiming, "I am a friend of  
Great Britain," in tones like the  
roaring of a lion. But what sur-  
prised every one, Kill Buck  
arose, strided pompously and  
haughtily past the other Virginia  
Commissioners, and taking Gen.  
Clark by the hand said as pleas-  
antly as he could, "I thank the  
Great Spirit for having this day  
brought together two such war-  
riors as Buckongahelas and the  
Long Knife." The famous Vir-  
ginian smilingly returned the  
compliment. Not many months  
after this he and a few of the  
tribes met General Clark in coun-  
cil at the mouth of the Great  
Miami.

As presiding officer Gen. Clark  
explained the object of the meet-  
ing somewhat in this manner,  
"the war is over, we desire to  
live in peace with our red breth-  
ren. If such be the will of the  
Shoones let some of their wise  
men speak." For a time all  
were silent and whiffed at the  
council pipes until a tall chief at  
the far end of the council pipe  
arose, he looked at the few whites  
never ventured over that trail  
and then by way of contrast at  
the three hundred warriors all  
pipe of peace and went into re-  
cess and him then in a dis-  
tinct manner, said, "we very  
distant from the city of  
come here to offer you two places  
Wheeling, W. Va. Wheeling

of wampum, you know what they  
mean, choose." Having placed  
resort for the grand old warrior  
the beaded emblems on the table,  
the warrior spokesman returned to  
his place by the wall. With  
flashing eyes the Virginian envoy  
for peace, tangled his slender  
pipes and cigars or mark the  
locality of his place of business  
so long as Kill Buck was able to  
be around.

One thing is worthy of remem-  
brance to Kill Buck's credit that  
though he might be full to the  
chins, he was just as quiet and  
well behaved as any wooden In-  
dian is in the habit of being.  
The native born gentility of his  
character seemed to be as much  
in evidence when in his deep  
positions as when in his deep  
if not more so. It is also re-  
ported that when he felt too much  
inclined to have wheels in his  
head he would put on a stiff up-  
per lip, straightened up his  
shoulders as to lean backwards  
and move off in a silent majestic  
manner to some retired retreat  
where no one would see him  
drunk. Such was the respect this  
proud and noble red man had for  
himself and the feelings of the  
ladies and gentlemen that might  
be passing the streets.

Personally I feel proud to think  
that this "Big Indian" was ac-  
quainted with what is Pocahontas  
and thought it was worth while  
to put on his war paint and pay  
our pioneer ancestors on occa-  
sional visit. W. T. P.

### Hosterman.

We are having winter now and  
have had it in abundance for the  
past six weeks, yet we have much  
to be thankful for, we have some-  
thing to eat and a fire to set by.  
The measles and mumps are gradu-  
ally leaving us, they found that  
we were here first, and that they  
were not a welcome visitor.

Dr. M. Stout was here a few  
days last week repairing the mouth  
organs.

Mr. Perry Stover is complain-  
ing and is unable to work.  
Ebin Boat was a caller here  
Sunday, there seems quite an at-  
traction here for Ebin.

Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Stover re-  
turned from a visit to Pennsylvania  
last week.

Henry Harding has come home  
to spend the holidays.

Some of our town people were  
at Cass Saturday sampling the  
stores.

The school is progressing nicely  
under the management of W.  
R. Setton. He has been been  
teaching for about twenty years  
and is well qualified. He pur-  
poses building here and will be a  
permanent resident in the near fu-  
ture.

Prof. J. B. Grimes, our county  
superintendent, is visiting schools  
in this part.  
Business is bright here in the  
way of lumber. The Hosterman  
Lumber Company is yet in the  
lead with others to follow.  
There was an attempted suicide  
in town a short time ago, with no  
serious results. No reason was  
assigned.

Riley Collins and son has gone  
to Alabama.

While we are discussing county  
officials at the next election we  
would call attention to the fact  
that Hon. Amos Barlow's term  
on the county court expires next  
year and that the county will do  
well if it secures his services for  
another term. Mr. Barlow should  
not be averse to offering for re-  
election since the vote of confi-  
dence given him and his col-  
leagues in the election last month.  
In the twelve years he has served  
on the bench Mr. Barlow has had  
a most intelligent and compre-  
hensive grasp of the fiscal affairs  
of the county. He has kept his own  
record of every order issued and  
has acted a calm and judicial way  
on all matters presented to the  
court. He is possessed of a deci-  
dedly long head on the affairs of  
the county and it would be hard  
to replace him.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY**  
Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets  
All druggists refund money if it fails  
to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on  
each box. 25c.

## ON IMIGRATION.

### DON'T GO WEST IF YOU ARE OLD.

Unless Your Condition Cannot Be  
Worse.

When a man who has spent all  
his life in one place decides to  
emigrate to some far distant coun-  
try his real trouble begins. He is  
as hard to transplant as a tree and  
if he is able comes back again in  
the majority of cases but if the  
die is cast he either shuffles off  
this mortal coil or becomes con-  
tented and prosperous once more.

We know of no more danger-  
ous experiment than that of the  
man of middle age seeking to bet-  
ter himself by moving to some far  
away place. He has unconsciously  
taken root in his own country  
and the spirit of unrest that causes  
him to move is as nothing to the  
burning regret that seizes him  
after the fatal step is taken.

As the old cattleman said:  
"My son never take a drink be-  
fore breakfast, unless you feel so  
bad that you know you can't feel  
worse."

A man should never move  
from his old home unless he feels  
so bad there that he knows he  
can never feel worse, anywhere.

With a young man it is differ-  
ent. He is like the young plant  
ready to be transplanted—ready  
to seek his fortune in far distant  
lands, but when a man has once  
secured that modicum of peace  
and happiness that only comes in  
after life and which makes time  
go fast, he should never risk his  
happiness if not his life by re-  
moving to another quarter of the  
globe.

Just for a moment go over the  
list of your acquaintance who  
have in the last generation mi-  
grated to the far West. Those  
that went there young are pros-  
perous and happy. The older  
people were different. Many of  
them died soon after trying to live  
under changed conditions, and  
many of them came home after a  
few weeks.

This country has a full share of  
advantages and averages with any  
section as a desirable place to  
live. It may be too cold in the  
winter but that is compensated  
by the fact that we have the best  
summer climate in the world. A  
man getting tired of the life  
here pulls out for the setting sun,  
and pays the railroads a sum of  
money for transportation that  
makes his hair stand on end.  
He endures the horrors of a week  
aboard train breathing coal smoke  
and dust. Day and night the  
train plunges on and the passen-  
ger who has been used to the in-  
vigorating air of the mountains  
sits in the fowl air of the coach and  
by the time he reaches his desti-  
nation he is a fit subject for de-  
spair.

He finds poor people at the  
Eldorado and many tales of pov-  
erty and hard luck. It strikes  
him as a business man that he  
has brought his golden eggs to a  
bad market. After taking a look  
around he either, dies, settles  
down, or comes home and the  
advantages on the coast are to be  
pursued as about equal. We would  
think that for an elderly man to  
start in a new country, the chances  
are about two to one against his  
making a success of it.

In the words of the poet:  
If all the world were apple pie,  
And all the seas were ink,  
And all the trees were bread and  
cheese,  
What would we do for drink?  
It is enough to make an old man,  
Put on his specks and think.

The Free Press, the Democrati-  
c paper of Fayette county has  
been greatly improved in size and  
form and we take it as a sign that  
the Democratic party in that coun-  
ty is looking up and beginning to  
take notice.

## Knapp's Creek.

The peoples heart are begin-  
ning to get merry as they think of  
the coming Christmas days, when  
tales of old Santa Claus ring mer-  
rily round the firesides. But let  
us all remember on that day, the  
Star of Bethlehem, the manger  
and the shepherds receiving the  
news of the birth of the Savior  
from the mouths of angels, then  
shall we be made truly happy.

Our worthy Superintendent of  
free schools, Mr. Grimes, was in  
our neighborhood this week visit-  
ing the schools. He seems to be  
the right man in the right  
place at the right time. We wish  
him much success in his efforts to  
improve the usefulness of the free  
or public schools.

Dennis Dever and family, Mr.  
to go West in the spring. Mr.  
Dever is one of our most success-  
ful farmers and stock-raisers. He  
is leaving us in order to find a  
climate that is more adapted to  
his physical needs, but we  
hope that he will return and spend  
many years in the valley of his  
boyhood, where the rising sun  
tips the Alleghenies.

B. B. Williams, principal of  
the Moore school will close his  
school about the middle of Janu-  
ary, after which he will open the  
school at Frost.

Our surveyor, Roy Moore, will  
leave this county in the spring for  
Randolph, where he will pursue  
his occupation for a number of  
months.

A drove of goats passed through  
here some days ago. Quite a  
number of our farmers purchased  
small bunches, among whom were  
Jacob Moore, John A. Cleek, the  
Gibson brothers and others. These  
animals are of great benefit to  
farmers, as an enemy of briars,  
brush and weeds.

Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Moore  
have abandoned the Creek and  
are living with William Curry  
near Huntersville.

M. F. Herold is feeding a nice  
bunch of cattle for Pat Gay.

H. N. Moore has almost com-  
pleted his comfortable and beau-  
tiful residence near Sunset. Mr.  
Moore by his success proves the  
value of industry.

Dr. J. B. Lockridge is having  
a lot of hard-wood sawed near the  
ford at Driscoll.

Miss Annie Cleek is teaching a  
very interesting school in the Sun-  
set school house. Miss Cleek  
taught the Moore school last year  
and the year prior.

Miss Ada Sharp was visiting  
relatives in Covington, Va., a few  
days ago.

The ground for the Methodist  
church has been marked off on  
Mr. Preston Harper's farm.

A large gang of wild turkeys  
visited near J. B. Moore's house  
the day before Thanksgiving, and  
Mr. Moore induced one of them  
to follow him home.

Wise Herold butchered two  
hogs a few days ago that brought  
nearly \$40.

**Oysters at Buckhannon.**  
Two Italians at Buckhannon,  
W. Va., quarrelled over the own-  
ership of a mess of oysters. One  
took an axe and hacked the other  
into bits and escaped.

We think a good deal of oysters  
in this section and we suppose by  
the time the oyster reaches the in-  
terior of the state it is worth its  
weight in blood. We would sug-  
gest that the college foot-ball  
teams of Buckhannon take the  
yell invented by Ambrose Bierce:

Raw! Raw! Raw!  
Raw! Raw! Raw!  
Stew 'Em!  
Fry 'Em!  
Raw! Raw! Raw!

Oysters!  
With reference to holidays the  
school law says: "31. In con-  
tracts with teachers, it shall be  
kept in operation for ordinary in-  
structions on the first day of Janu-  
ary, fourth day of July, or the  
twenty-fifth day of December,  
nor any National or State festival  
or Thanksgiving day; but the  
month or time mentioned in such  
contract shall nevertheless be com-  
puted as if the said days were  
concluded."

## Dessy McLaughlin.

The memorial services of Des-  
sie McLaughlin only daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Mc-  
Laughlin of Marlinton who died  
Dec. 16, 1903, aged about seven  
years, were held in the Presby-  
terian church at 1 p. m. Friday  
the 18th under the direction of  
Pastor G. W. Nickell aided by  
Rev. J. D. Pope and W. T.  
Price. The pastor's memorial  
address was founded on these  
words, "Suffer the little children  
to come unto me and forbid them  
not; for of such is the Kingdom  
of heaven." "He shall feed  
his flock like a shepherd; he shall  
gather the lambs with his arm and  
carry them in his bosom." Mark  
10:14, Isaiah 40:41. This me-  
morial tribute was read at the

Little Dessie McLaughlin gath-  
ered home on Wednesday night  
Dec. 16, 1903.

Sweet child, I saw thee once,  
In House of God.

When summer skies were gay;  
And thy fair face I still behold.  
As tho' 't were yesterday.

A wounded lamb of late,  
Whom Jesus loved,  
Ah! yes, and pitied so:

He helped thee when distressed,  
And reached His arm down low  
And folded thee to rest!

A. L. P.

### Marble at World's Fair.

It will no doubt be interesting  
to many people in West Virginia  
who are not acquainted with the  
facts, to learn that in addition to  
the many natural resources which  
the state possesses, that it has one  
of which very little is known, and  
one which may some day make the  
state famous beyond its coal and  
timber of which the world at large  
is already familiar, and that is its  
marble. This it is said can be  
found in unlimited quantities near  
Marlinton, Pocahontas county on  
Greenbrier river.

Col. A. H. Winchester, secre-  
tary of the West Virginia Com-  
mission, today received two sample  
of the marble taken from the sur-  
face vein on a farm near Marlinton  
which were cut in the shape of pa-  
per weights, for use in his office.  
According to information in the  
hands of Col. Winchester this mar-  
ble, as has been mentioned above  
exists in unlimited quantities and  
range in thickness from forty  
to sixty feet, and is clear of seam  
and cracks, and is to be found in  
four and five different colors.

The marble has been analyzed  
by several chemists, and been  
pronounced to have most excellent  
qualities for building material, and  
will stand extra heat and cold with  
out crumbling. In quality the  
marble may be divided into general  
grades; the one ranging from the  
richest red to the deepest maroon  
color; while the other may be called  
dove colored, richly marked  
with white mottling and dark veins.  
An effort will probably be made  
to have an exhibit of the marble  
made at the St. Louis Ex-  
position, along with the coal, tim-  
ber, fruits and other products of  
the states.—Parkersburg Sentinel.

### Something Lacking.

Josephine was having her hair  
cut at a real barber's. Finally the  
barber lifted the little girl down  
from her chair and pronounced  
his work done.

"But I want to see it again,"  
said Josephine.

The barber lifted her up and let  
her look in the glass. She wag-  
ged her head vigorously from side  
to side and forward and backward.

"Oh-h-h!" she waived.

"Why, what's the matter?"  
asked the barber, while the father  
jumped up nervously.

"Oh-h-h!" she repeated lustily.  
"I wanted a little round smooth  
place on top of my head like  
papa's." And she burst into tears.

W. S. Edwards is buckling on  
his armor to fight J. H. Gaines  
for his seat in Congress next year.  
Mr. Edwards is the gentleman  
whom David E. Johnston defeated  
in 1898. Mr. Edwards is a very  
worthy man but some way we  
would hate to see the genial  
Joe turned down by his party for  
the nomination.

## Teachers' Salaries.

One of the potent factors tend-  
ing to higher civilization is edu-  
cation. One of the greatest bul-  
warks of liberty, is an enlightened,  
educated population. The happi-  
est people in the world are those  
who possess and are possessed by  
a liberal education, but behind all  
these blessings stands one—the  
teacher—who is the connecting  
link in uniting knowledge to the  
inhabitants of a country. Surely  
his needs should be carefully  
looked after, since he occupies  
such an important chair in the  
welfare of the people.

But in our state he is poorly  
paid for services that are grand,  
yes noble; he is expected to trans-  
form man's pet boy into a veritable  
walking encyclopedia; he is ex-  
pected to dress neatly, to sub-  
scribe to a library, to keep jour-  
nals, to work in the summer  
months for a living and teach  
school in the winter because he  
possesses the necessary ability and  
acquirements.

It requires considerable study  
and out-lay of money; for one to  
prepare himself that he may dis-  
charge faithfully, honestly and ac-  
ceptably the duties devolving upon  
the teacher; and then after years  
of study and expense; is it true  
that the tax-payer is so ungrate-  
ful as to be unwilling to pay him  
a salary equivalent to his services?  
Is it true that ingratitude has  
taken possession of our hearts?  
It remains for those in power to an-  
swer.

There is a general scarcity of  
teachers, throughout the length  
and breadth of the United States,  
and especially is this so in our  
county and state. What has caused  
this scarcity? Simply the fact that  
those who are qualified to teach  
can receive from \$35 to \$60 per  
month as book keepers, bank-  
clerks, agents and lumbermen.

Of the one hundred free schools  
in Pocahontas county only about  
sixty or seventy are in progress;  
this leaves nearly forty schools  
without teachers, probably about  
twenty-five of these will be taught  
by teachers as second schools.  
There still remains from ten to  
fifteen schools that will not be  
opened during this school year.

Let the boards of education in  
this county raise the monthly sal-  
ary of the first grade teacher \$10;  
of the second grade \$8; and leave  
the third grade without much re-  
vision; let the next legislature  
make the minimum salary \$40,  
\$30 and \$22 for the different  
grades, also increase the mini-  
mum school-term from five to six  
or seven months, and our schools  
will not lack for teachers.

The writer desires to hear  
from others on this subject  
through the columns of the Times.

THINKER.

### A Matter of Average.

Mr. and Mrs. Greene of a year  
by suburb decided not long ago  
that they needed a card table, and  
Mrs. Greene, acquiescing in the  
tradition that a woman is a poor  
binder at an auction, consented  
that her husband should repre-  
sent the family at an advertise-  
ment sale of furniture, and by  
desirable table that they had.

Mr. Greene went to the auction  
got carried away by the excite-  
ment and bought the table at a  
price very much higher than he  
had intended to give for it. After  
the table was knocked down to  
him, calm reflection came and he  
sat and thought bitterly of his  
folly. Then it happened that a  
second card table was put up.

A brilliant scheme entered Mr.  
Greene's head, and he bid in the  
second table at a price very much  
below its value, as that of the  
first table had been beyond its  
worth. Then he went home sat-  
isfied. But Mrs. Green refused  
to agree with him that the aver-  
age price of the two tables was to  
be taken as that of the one table  
that she really wanted, and main-  
tained steadily that he had been  
foolish in his bidding. Mr. Greene  
however vows that the price was  
really low.—N. Y. Times.

**Good Morning**  
Try Laxative Cold Tablets, pre-  
pared by the Marlinton Drug Store  
for that cold and you'll feel better.